

RIVERTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
Regular Council Meeting
Held January 21, 2014
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was held on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor Ronald O. Warpness at 7:00 p.m. City Council Members present were Todd Smith, Rich Gard (telephonically), Jonathan Faubion, and Mary Ellen Christensen. Council Member Christensen led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Warpness declared a quorum of the Council.

City Staff present were City Administrator Steven Weaver, City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender, Chief of Police Mike Broadhead, Acting Public Services Director Dawn Willhelm, Community Development Director Sandy Luers, and Administrative Secretary Kristin Watson.

Approval of the Agenda – Council Member Smith moved, seconded by Council Member Faubion to approve the agenda with the addition of one catering permit for Back Bar to the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication from the Floor – Mr. Charles Starks stated his intent to discuss the sewer line extension later during the meeting.

Consent Agenda – City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender read the consent agenda items by title only: Approval of the Minutes – January 7, 2014 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of the Minutes – January 21, 2014 Finance Committee Meeting; Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendations – January 21, 2014; Approval of the Municipal Court Report for the month of December 2013; Catering Permit Applications: LaPeyre – February 14, 2014, 4-H Leaders Banquet @ Fremont Center, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.; LaPeyre – March 22, 2014, Tough Enough Gala Fundraiser @ Fremont Center, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.; Back Bar – February 1, 2014, Cattlemen's Ball @ Fairgrounds, 3:00 p.m. – 11:45 p.m.. Finance Committee recommended approval of the bills to be paid in the amount of \$445,681.78, Elan credit card in the amount of \$9,198.12, payroll/liabilities for 1/10/14 in the amount of \$395,770.11, for a total of \$850,650.01. City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender presented the Quarterly Operational Summary for the following funds: General, Water, Wastewater, Sanitation and Airport. Ms. Bohlender reported that a comparative analysis was conducted on the General Fund for December 2012 versus December 2013. Similar to the previous year at this time, the City's revenues are less than the expenditures for many reasons (sales tax lower than projected by 6-10%, court fines lower than projected, and building permits lower than projected). The Finance department is keeping an eye on the numbers and waiting for quarterly revenues to come in and will take a look at the numbers again next month. Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Riverton Police Department Citizen's Awards – Chief of Police, Mike Broadhead, presented three citizen's awards to Laurie Morgan, Angela Bihr, and Zachary Weant.

Regal Estates Subdivision Agreement – Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Christensen to approve the Regal Estates Subdivision Agreement. After much discussion from members of the public and Council, Council Member Gard moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to table this item. After consulting Robert's Rules of Order regarding the requirement to vote on tabling an item, the Mayor asked for a vote on the motion to table. Motion failed with Mayor Warpness and Council Members Christensen and Faubion voting nay. Council Members Gard and Smith voting aye. Original motion to approve the Regal Estates Subdivision Agreement passed with Mayor Warpness and Council Members Christensen and Faubion voting aye. Council Members Gard and Smith voting nay.

Council Committee Reports & Council Members' Roundtable – Council Members Christensen, Faubion, Smith, and Gard reported on Fremont County Prevention Coalition meeting, FCSD #25 Rec Board, Senior Center Endowment Board, and Chamber board, respectively.

City Administrator's Report – Mr. Weaver commented on the City of Lander and their support for the Airport. Mr. Weaver also commented on the Council vacancies, stating that letters of interest are due by January 31, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor's Comments – Mayor Warpness reported on the FCAG meeting and the projected Joint Powers Task Force in conjunction with the City of Lander for the Airport. All Council Members were in favor of forming this task force for the benefit of the Riverton Regional Airport. Mayor Warpness also commented on an interview that he had with NPR regarding the EPA opinion.

Adjourn – There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:14 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Ronald O. Warpness
Mayor

ATTEST:

Courtney V. Bohlender
City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services

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